



## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OECA-2013-0310; FRL – 9955-64-OEI]

### Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NSPS for Sewage Sludge Treatment Plants (Renewal)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency has submitted an information collection request (ICR), “NSPS for Sewage Sludge Treatment Plants (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart O) (Renewal)” (EPA ICR No 1063.13, OMB Control No. 2060-0035), to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through January 31, 2017. Public comments were previously requested via the *Federal Register* (81 FR 26546) on May 3, 2016, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. A fuller description of the ICR is given below, including its estimated burden and cost to the public. An Agency may neither conduct nor sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently-valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Additional comments may be submitted on or before [insert date 30 days after publication in the Federal Register].

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OECA-2013-0310, to: (1) EPA online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), or by email to [docket.oeca@epa.gov](mailto:docket.oeca@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460; and (2) OMB via email to [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). Address comments to OMB Desk Officer for EPA.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without

change, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick Yellin, Monitoring, Assistance, and Media Programs Division, Office of Compliance, Mail Code 2227A, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564-2970; fax number: (202) 564-0050; email address: yellin.patrick@epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Supporting documents which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit:

<http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

*Abstract:* Owners and operators of affected facilities are required to comply with reporting and record keeping requirements for the General Provisions (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart A), as well as for the specific requirements at 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart O. This includes submitting initial notifications, performance tests and periodic reports and results, and maintaining records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. These reports are used by EPA to determine compliance with these standards.

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Respondents/affected entities:* Sewage sludge treatment plants.

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Mandatory (40 CFR Part 60 Subpart O).

*Estimated number of respondents:* 86 (total).

*Frequency of response:* Initially, occasionally and semiannually.

*Total estimated burden:* 9,690 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

*Total estimated cost:* \$4,050,000 (per year), which includes \$3,050,000 for both annualized capital/startup and operation & maintenance costs.

*Changes in the Estimates:* There is an adjustment decrease in the total estimated burden and O&M costs as currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved Burdens. This decrease is not due to any program changes. The change in the burden and cost estimates occurred because the number of respondents has decreased as compared to the most-recently approved ICR.